

**SUMMARY REPORT  
REGULATORY FAIRNESS HEARING**

City of Anaheim, Gordon Hoyt Center  
201 South Anaheim Blvd., 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor  
Anaheim, CA 92805  
Santa Ana District Office

March 1, 2005

<b>Total Attendance:</b>	<b>47</b>	
Congressional attendance:	1	
RegFair Board in attendance:	3	
SBA staff:	11	
Media:	1	
Agencies represented:	3	(Internal Revenue Service, Department of Labor, Department of Agriculture-FSIS)
No. of Comments	8	

**Summary of Testimony:**

1. Rita Kalwani – KAL Architects. Department of Contract Audit Administration (DCAA) audits are costly and time consuming for small business owners, who may receive only small orders despite the expensive audit. DCAA forms and procedures are designed for the audit of large companies, not small businesses.
2. Robert Dourandish – Quimba Software. Department of Contract Audit Administration (DCAA) audits are time consuming. Audits can take years and morph into new additional audits, without resolution.
3. Donald Clark – Coastal Defense Products. The Air Force initiated debarment proceedings in 2004 for termination of contracts in 2000, despite the fact that his company has successfully completed 200 contracts and has a 99.9% rating. The contracts in 2000 were terminated because a government supplier could not provide necessary materials and contract termination was not contested. The Air Force has been unresponsive to the Answer to the debarment proceedings; his company has been suspended and unable to obtain new contracts since November 2004.

4. Peggy Ford – Applied Geodetics.
  - a. Outsourcing of mapping services overseas can present security issues allowing terrorists to gain information regarding our nation’s resources.
  - b. The Internal Revenue Service (IRS) fined her company for paying employees a few days early rather than on the regular payday, which fell on Thanksgiving Day.
  
5. Thomas Lamons, Esq. – Law Office of Thomas Lamons. As a tax attorney and accountant, and having previously worked for the federal government for 17 years, the need for tax simplification has become obvious. If it is difficult for a tax professional to keep up with the thousands of changes to the tax code, it is impossible for small business owners to do so on their own. Small businesses cannot afford comptrollers and accountants on staff and are forced to hire payroll services and the assistance of expensive professionals in order to attempt to comply with the regulations.
  
6. Robert Manciet-Gemini & Associates. Small business owners may be charged sales tax on federal contracts, causing a loss to the business.
  
7. Karen Tonelli – International Custom Enterprises. Department of Labor (DOL) disputes wage rates on a federal contract despite two independent verifications of the applicable wage rates prior to award of the contract.
  
8. Jyll Jara – San Bernardino Chamber of Commerce. Twenty three small businesses on one street have been sued for non-compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act. Small businesses want to comply with the regulations, but federal and state requirements conflict. Need a grace period for businesses to come into compliance.

**Small Business Organizations represented:**

City of Anaheim - Luz Flores/Business Liaison Workforce Center	328,000
San Bernardino Chamber of Commerce – Jyll Jara	1,000
SCORE Chapter 114 - Hal Blum, President	98
Tri Tech SBDC - Jack Mixner, Director	150

## **Competitive Opportunity Gap Meeting February 28, 2005**

Attendance: 14

**Small Business Organizations represented:**

Asian Business Association Orange County – Maria Dumantol	200
Economic Business Development, Inc. –Lynn Dangtu, President	
NAGGL – Steve Stultz, Chairman	600
NAWBO – Rachel Owens, Board Member	400
TriTech SBDC – Jack Mixner, Director	150
Vietnamese American Chamber of Commerce – Kim Yen Huynh, VP and Thao Bui, Office Manager	250